

## Scott County Ticker.

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BENTON, MISSOURI.

### TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Spent \$5,000 to Earn \$20.

Joseph Downey, a Chicago contractor, has just returned from a tour around the world, which he made at a cost of \$5,000 to win a \$20 bet.

### Night Try Football.

A single game of football takes 10 to 12 pounds in weight off every player. Fleishy women who are afraid of the various anti-fats might try football.

### Overwork in Night.

You will be requested to take note hereafter that stamps that have suffered any mutilation whatever will not be accepted for postage. This will make more work for the recording angel.

### Cherished Idea Vindicated.

The completion of a collyerman's son of manslaughter in Minneapolis, Kan., and the striking of a Chicago saloon by lightning have given a number of people a firmer grip on cherished ideas.

### Interest on \$50,000,000.

An \$50,000,000 company, headed by James J. Hill, has bought the principal coal properties of Illinois. The interest on \$50,000,000 is a safeguard against the price of coal becoming disgracefully low.

### An Echo.

It is good, sound money to play a practical joke on a Chicago maiden. A man who jokingly asked a woman to marry him was held up for \$2,500 in a breach of promise suit. An offer of marriage is no joke.

### Mayor Welchs 400 Pounds.

Charles T. Taylor, mayor-elect of Mankato, Minn., is the heaviest chief executive of any city in the United States. He weighs 400 pounds, but is as nimble as a kitten and one of the fastest pedestrians in the city.

### Unfavorable Comparisons.

Eight per cent. of the population of this country is still illiterate. In Germany only one per cent. of illiterates exists, and in Russia, Russia, Norway, Sweden and Scandinavia there are no totally illiterate people.

### Can We Stand It?

A Northwestern university professor predicts that "A Hot Time in the Old Town" will become our national air, and still no precautionary action is taken. Some people think that with our strength and prosperity we can stand anything.

### Influence of Environment.

Already the demoralizing influence of the United States senate has shown itself in the case of Senator Clark of Arkansas, who after a week or two in the national deliberative body, went home to Little Rock and whipped a congressman.

### Not Taunted With Fear.

Chicago boasts of a woman who is president of no fewer than seven clubs. Before her duties as president became so exacting she managed to dispose of three husbands. The capabilities of the modern woman is a continual source of wonder, not unmixed with fear.

### Growth of 11 Years.

It seems like only one day before yesterday when John W. Mackay was postmaster general, and yet during the last year of his administration the post office receipts were but \$35,000,000, while last year they amounted to \$150,000,000. You have to take a sight on things once in awhile to see how fast this country is really growing.

### Great Demand for Steel.

While the American steel industry has been growing steadily, British steel manufacturers have also been increasing their production. Few people are in position to perceive the extent of the demand for structural steel in all parts of the world. The area of steel consumption has been expanding so rapidly that our facilities for supplying it have not kept pace. It is no wonder that the biggest fortunes of the world have been made out of steel and allied industries.

### The Ruler of Turkey.

Abdul Hamid II. is 60 years old and has behind him 300 and 400 wives. He is a victim of neurasthenia, chronic insomnia and self-preservation monomania. He sleeps for three or four hours in 24 in a chamber surrounded on all sides by corridors patrolled by sentinels. He eats little, but drinks enormous quantities of coffee. He is said to spend \$500,000 a year on subsidies for European papers; he distributed \$1,000,000 to those which defended him.

### Ideal Conditions in Porto Rico.

James S. Harlan, who has just resigned the position of attorney general of Porto Rico, says the island government has a \$500,000 surplus and no debt, pays no tribute to the federal government and receives no aid from it. The island is beginning to show so much prosperity that Harlan fears congress will do something to mar it. "If congress," he says, "will simply leave Porto Rico alone for the next 25 years the people of this country will be astounded at the result."

### Folly and the Cure-All.

In days of old a robber went forth to rob. Nowadays a robber of the first class has his open habitat precisely like the honest citizen and remains in it and hangs out a sign and has great difficulty in attending to the throngs that pour in to beg him to relieve them of their goods. He is usually keeping either a "get-rich-quick" concern or a "get-healthy-quick" concern. At bottom the two industries are the same. They rest upon the universal delusion that something can be got for nothing.

## THE CRUISER COLORADO.

Another Addition to the United States Navy Successfully Launched at Philadelphia.

### AN ARMORED CRUISER OF FIRST CLASS.

One of a New Type, Combining Tremendous Battery Power with the Speed of an Ocean Liner—Daughter of Gov. Peabody of Colorado Christened Her.

Philadelphia, April 26.—The armored cruiser Colorado was launched, Saturday at Cramp's ship yard in the presence of a distinguished gathering of officials from Washington and the state of Colorado, including the entire congressional delegation. Miss Cora May Peabody, daughter of Gov. Peabody of Colorado, broke the bottle of wine on the prow of the cruiser as she glided down the ways at 12:35, and into the Delaware river. Miss Peabody was escorted to the christening stand by Charles H. Cramp, president of the Cramp Shipbuilding Co., and the fair sponsor was followed by her father, Gov. Peabody, Mrs. Peabody, James C. and Miss Jessie Peabody.

### One of a New Type.

The cruiser Colorado is of a new class of vessels added to the American navy. She is an armored cruiser of the first class, yet she bears the name of a state, an honor formerly only accorded battleships. Coupled with tremendous battery power she has the speed of an ocean liner.

The vessel is 302 feet long, 30 feet 6 inches wide with a draught of 24 feet.

Her speed requirement calls for 22 knots an hour for four consecutive hours. She is fitted with twin screws, twin triple expansion engines, which must develop 23,000 indicated horse power.

### Improved Krupp Armor.

All of the armor is the most improved Krupp type. The water line region is guarded by a seven-and-a-half-foot belt reaching from bow to stern. Amidships for a distance of 24 feet across the engines, boilers and magazines, the belt has a maximum thickness of six inches. Forward and aft this belt will have a uniform thickness of 3½ inches. Five-inch armor will surround the six-inch guns at the four corners of the superstructure on the main deck. The four six-inch guns are mounted on two balanced turrets, with slanting faces, having armor six and six and a half inches thick. A belt of cellulose, extending from bow to stern, above the protective deck, will automatically plug all shot holes admitting the water.

### The Vessel's Fighting Force.

The fighting force of the Colorado is centered principally in two batteries. She will carry a main battery of four up-to-date 8-inch and 14 six-inch rapid-fire rifles, a secondary battery of eighteen 4-pounders and twelve 3-pounders and a supplemental force of eight 1-pounders, two field pieces, two machine guns and six automatic guns for service on the bridges and in the tops. The 8-inch guns are designed to fire once every 50 seconds and the 6-inch guns are expected to fire three times a minute.

The contract price of the Colorado was \$3,750,000.

### THE MONITOR ARKANSAS.

The Visit of the Marine Monster to St. Louis Recalls the Fate of Its Namesake.

St. Louis, April 27.—The visit to St. Louis of the monitor Arkansas, which dropped her anchor here Sunday, recalls the terrible fight of the vessel's namesake with the Essex, the union gunboat, during the siege of Vicksburg, in 1862, when the original Arkansas, in the thick of the fight, when defeat was certain, was sunk by her own men.

There are two men living in St. Louis who participated in the memorable battle. They are Capt. John C. Parker and Henry J. Lyda.

Capt. Parker was an officer on board the Essex, and is one of the few living survivors of the crew of that vessel. He witnessed the fight from the time the Arkansas ran past Vicksburg between lines of union ships, when the union forces were afraid to fire for fear of injuring their own vessels, to the time when the Arkansas and the Essex grappled in a bend of the river above Baton Rouge, and the fight was ended by the blowing up and sinking of the confederate gunboat.

Mr. Lyda was a sailor on board the Essex and saw the Arkansas go down. He shared, with other members of the crew, the \$50,000 voted by congress for the destruction of the confederate ram. He has been drawing a pension for 40 years, and is believed

to be one of the oldest pensioners on the rolls.

The monitor will rest at Kennett Castle, 12 miles down the river, below Jefferson barracks, Saturday night.

Sunday morning after the sun has cleared away the mists of the river, the sturdy craft will again breast the current of the Mississippi and steam to Jefferson barracks, where Congressman Bartholdt and the receiving party will board her.

By noon anchor will have been cast in the Mississippi off the foot of Olive street, and the boat will be open for visitors Monday.

### SOMALIS STOP THE BRITISH.

Flying Column Turned Back After Stubborn Fight in Which Ammunition Ran Low.

Bohotle, Somaliland, East Africa, April 27.—Maj. Gough, in command of a mobile column, engaged the enemy near Danop. He lost 13 men killed, including two officers and four officers were wounded. The enemy had 200 men killed.

Adapitch to the foreign office from Bohotle shows that Col. Cobbe's relief by Brig. Gen. Manning and his retirement to Galadi was effected without opposition from the enemy. The loss of about two thousand of the Mullah's men occurred in the original attack on Capt. Plunkett's square.

### MAJ. GOUGH RETREATING.

British Fought Bravely 'till Ammunition Ran to Fall.

London, April 27.—A long official dispatch has been received here from Bohotle, Somaliland, to the effect that Maj. Gough's flying column, numbering about two hundred men, attacked a large force of the enemy near Danop. The column formed in a square and resisted with success for several hours, receiving reinforcement

## GERMANY NOT SURPRISED.

Russia's Latest Demand on China is No Surprise to the German Government.

NO GERMAN INTERESTS ARE INVOLVED.

Bellet in Berlin that United States and British "Open Door" Demands of Russia Will be Diplomatically Brushed Aside by the Russian Foreign Office.

Berlin, April 26.—Russia's latest demands on China are no surprise to the German government. Some indications even exist that the foreign office here was privy to Russia's purposes in advance and expressed indifference to them. This is in exact accord with the policy to resist Russia in nothing in which she is really in earnest. The constant expression in government quarters concerning Manchuria ever since Chancellor Von Buelow's declarations in the reichstag, two years ago, has been that Germany has no interests there and hence that Germany is simply in a position of calm observation. Von Buelow might find it consistent with this attitude to join with other powers in expressing the hope that trade will have freedom in Manchuria. Russia would not object to Germany's participation in such representation. What Germany will not do is to join in any energetic pressure at Peking to prevent China from yielding on every point. The expectation here is that all kinds of written protests, from Great Britain and the United States especially, will be lodged at the Russian foreign office and that these will be replied to

## IN CONTEMPT OF COURT.

Verdict Rendered by Judge Hazell in the Case of I. N. Page and Cole Hickox.

LATTER BROKE DOWN AND CRIED.

Application Will Be Made to the Supreme Court for Release on Habeas Corpus Proceedings—Restoration of Lieut.-Gov. Lee Accepted by Gov. Dockery.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 28.—Circuit Judge Hazell held Cole Hickox, senate clerk, and Editor I. N. Page, of Bonne Terre, in contempt of court, Monday, for refusing to tell the grand jury where they secured currency bills of large denomination during the session of the last legislature. They will apply to the supreme court for release on habeas corpus proceedings. Hickox broke down and cried when the verdict was rendered, but he refused to divulge how he came in possession of the money.

N. C. Rice, cashier of the national bank and Simon Cronin, of the Farmers' Bank of California, Mo., were witnesses before the jury. It is believed that they were called to ascertain from them whether Hickox deposited money in their banks, or gave checks which might indicate where he got the money.

J. T. Craighead, Patterson Bain and J. A. Reinhardt, looking powder men of St. Louis, were also before the jury Monday.

Page and Hickox were ordered committed to jail until such time as they may decide to answer the questions put to them by the grand jury, having been adjudged in contempt of court. Sheriff Smith was directed to take charge of them, but they were allowed to go about at their own free will until late Monday night, when the sheriff took them to his residence, adjoining the jail, and gave them a room.

Gov. Dockery telephoned from St. Louis that he had accepted the resignation of Lieut.-Gov. John A. Lee, which reached his office here Monday morning in a letter bearing a special delivery stamp. Senator T. L. Rubey, president pro tem. of the senate, becomes acting lieutenant-governor.

### LIFE MEMBERS HELD MEETING.

Officers Elected to Arrange for the International Live Stock Exposition in Chicago.

Chicago, April 28.—Prominent stock men to the number of 500, all subscribers to life membership in the International Live Stock exposition, met here, Monday, to perfect a permanent organization of the show. They elected a board of directors consisting of 22 members, and chose the following officers: J. A. Spoor, Chicago, president; Alvin B. Sanders, first vice-president; A. J. Lovejoy, Roscoe, Ill., second vice-president; Mortimer Levering, Lafayette, Ind., secretary; S. R. Flynn, treasurer; W. E. Skinner, general manager.

Announcement was made that the \$100,000 guarantee fund is fully assured. The fourth international live stock exhibition, which will be under the auspices of the new organization, will be held during the first week of the coming December, the first annual meeting of the new body being set for the first Monday in December.

### SPEAR NEAR HIS HEART.

Michigan Officer Though Badly Wounded Managed to Kill His Assailant.

Frankfort, Mich., April 28.—B. B. Spafford, of Cadillac, deputy game warden, shot and killed Christ McLean Monday. The latter, his son and three men were spearing fish out of season and Spafford and another deputy attempted to arrest the party. In the fight Spafford was pinned to the earth by a spear in McLean's hands, the weapon tearing the flesh near the heart. While on the ground Spafford managed to get hold of his revolver and fired and killed his retreating assailant. Spafford gave himself up at Frankfort. He was formerly landlord of the McKinnon hotel at Cadillac, Mich. McLean was a farmer.

### BLOCK BURNS IN CENTRALIA.

Loss Caused By Fire in a Missouri Town Is Estimated at \$100,000.

Centralia, Mo., April 28.—On entire block of business houses was destroyed by fire here, Monday, causing a loss estimated at \$100,000, distributed among the following: J. W. Hulien, hardware; J. G. Wiseman & Sons, dry goods; Bank of Centralia; T. O. Robinson, dry goods; three grocery stores and a millinery store.

### PLANT AND ANIMAL FACTS.

A North American rattlesnake taken to the Museum of Paris refused all food for 24 months.

Successful experiments have been made for obtaining alcohol and sugar from pine and birch sawdust.

As many as 14 seals have been taken from the stomach of a sperm whale, says Nature, and his ordinary diet consists of squids, which often weigh several tons.

A fly will lie motionless at a temperature of freezing point, begin to crawl at 33 degrees, to buzz and fly at 68 degrees; 113 degrees of dry heat will usually kill a fly in a short time.

A recent report of the Missouri Botanical garden describes 28 species and 45 varieties of the yucca. They occur from South Dakota to central Mexico and from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Regarding cuckoos, it is said that the long tail of these birds so interfered with their balancing that they have successfully developed strong feet with two toes pointing backward and two forward. By this arrangement the cuckoos are able to firmly grasp their perch.



A nervous, irritable mother, often on the verge of hysteria, is unfit to care for children; it ruins a child's disposition and reacts upon herself. The trouble between children and their mothers too often is due to the fact that the mother has some nervous weakness, and she is entirely unfit to bear the strain upon her nerves that governing a child involves; it is impossible for her to do anything calmly. She cannot help it, as her condition is due to suffering and shattered nerves caused by some derangement of the uterine system with backache, headache, and all kinds of pain, and she is on the verge of nervous prostration.

When a mother finds that she cannot be calm and quiet with her children, she may be sure that her condition needs attention, and she cannot do better than to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. This medicine will build up her system, strengthen her nerves, and enable her to calmly handle a disobedient child without a scene. The children will soon realize the difference, and seeing their mother quiet, will themselves become quiet.

Mrs. May Brown, of Chicago, Ill., says:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—'Honor to whom honor is due,' and you deserve both the thanks and honor of the mothers of America whom you have so blessedly helped and benefited. I have used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound when I would feel run-down, nervous and irritable, or have any of the aches and pains which but few women escape, and I have found that it relieved me at once and gave me new strength. Several ladies, members of our Literary Union, speak in the highest praise of your Vegetable Compound, as they have been cured from serious female troubles. One lady, who thought she must submit to an operation, was cured without using anything in the world but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Sensitive Wash. You have hosts of friends in Chicago, and if you come to visit our city we would delight to do you honor. Gratefully yours, Mrs. May Brown, 57 Grant Place, Chicago, Ill."

How Mrs. Pinkham Helped Mrs. McKinny.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel it my duty to write and let you know the good you and your Vegetable Compound are doing. I had been sick ever since my first baby was born, and at the birth of my second, my doctor, as well as myself thought I should never live through it. After that menstruation never came regular, and when it came I suffered terribly. I also had womb and ovarian trouble. A friend of my husband's advised me to get Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for me. At first I had no faith in it, but now nothing could induce me to be without it. Menstruation has become regular, and I feel like a new woman. Your medicine is a God-send to suffering women. I hope this letter will lead others to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Yours truly, Mrs. MILDRED MCKINNY, 28 Pearl St., San Francisco, Cal. (March 16, 1901)."

### FREE MEDICAL ADVICE TO WOMEN.

If there is anything in your case about which you would like special advice, write freely to Mrs. Pinkham. Address is Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free, and her advice is always helpful.

\$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of the above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

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\$3.50 and \$3.25 Shoes Union

You can save from \$2.00 to \$3.00 by wearing W. L. Douglas \$3.50 or \$3.25 shoes.

There are just as many shoes that have been costing you from \$4.00 to \$5.00. The immense sale of W. L. Douglas shoes proves their superiority over all other makes.

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The Douglas shoe is made of the best leather and is guaranteed to give you 100 days' wear.

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